

From the Ontario Rolling Mill Company—Asking for exemption on the conditions already published.

On motion of Ald. Moore it was resolved to grant the petitioners free water and exemption for ten years.

From Robert Reid, jr., and 1,248 others—For the erection of swimming baths. No. 3.

A petition to retain Mr. R. Wignore as Police Court Clerk, signed by T. C. Hewitt and a large number of others. Deferred for report of Committee No. 1.

From W. D. Buckle—Asking permission to place a frame house on Dufferin avenue. No. 3.

From the Ball Electric Light Company—A marked tender enclosing cheque for \$2,000. No. 3.

From Samuel Manness *et al.*—Asking for an asphalt walk from Pall Mall to Piccadilly. No. 2.

From R. Brock *et al.* For sewer. No. 2.

From the Mayor of Nanaimo, B.C.—Asking relief in view of the late colliery accident.

Ald. Davis moved the suspension of the rule of order, and then moved, seconded by Ald. Vining, that \$100 be granted in aid of the sufferers.

Ald. Hook moved in amendment, seconded by Ald. Moore, that \$200 be granted. Carried.

From John Early, of the G. T. R.—Suggesting that the freight classification on the L. & P. S. R. R. be made in accordance with the other Canadian roads. Railway Committee.

From Francis Benson, complaining of his treatment by the Market Clerk. No. 3.

THE WATER QUESTION

Ald. Moore moved, seconded by Ald. Greer, that the lawn services be shut off.

Ald. McDonald moved in amendment, seconded by Ald. Davis, that the street watering be shut off for a time. Lost.

Motion carried.

Yeas—Ald. Jarvis, Greer, Moule, Bowman, Hook, Moore, Vining, Dreaney, McIntosh, Heaman.

Nays—Ald. C. Taylor, Davis, McDonald and George Taylor.

NO. 3 COMMITTEE.

Ald. Moule (Chairman) submitted the following:—

1—That the communication of Mr. Buckle be favorably considered.

2—That the tender of D. Murray be accepted for painting and whitewashing at the Hospital.

3—That a new fire hall be built, as the present site is not suitable for the purpose, and we herewith submit the Engineer's report.

4—That the sum of \$30 be paid Maurice Baldwin in full of account for watering G. T. passenger yard.

5—Your Committee investigated the position of the city in regard to contract for electric light, and find that there is no contract now in existence. The following is the only tender received on the 8th November last, when the same was called for, and on investigation your Committee find that no contract was signed or entered into by the said Forest City Electric Light and Power Co.

Clauses 1 and 2 passed.

Ald. Vining moved, seconded by Ald. McIntosh, that clause 3 be referred back to the Committee to bring in a report, and that the Engineer be instructed to prepare estimates for a new building on a new site. Carried.

Clause 4 passed.

Clause 5 read.

Mr. James H. Fraser, Q.C., addressed the Council in support of Hunt Bros. receiving the contract, as they had gone on in the absence of the Ball Company and lighted the city since November last.

Mr. Scovill, agent for the Ball Company, talked back on the other side, and the Council were treated to a continuation of the great electric light serial, which ran so successfully by wind power last fall.

Ald. Moore moved, seconded by Ald. Weisman, that new tenders for the electric lighting required by the city be called for.

Ald. Taylor would like to make a compromise and keep both Companies here.

The motion carried.

The report as amended was adopted.

NO. 2 COMMITTEE.

Ald. Moore (Chairman) submitted the following:—

1. Re fees of Janitor in Fifth Ward Hall, that he be allowed to collect \$2 from parties hiring the Hall.

2. That W. M. Spencer & Co be allowed to lay a pipe under Simcoe street, and the by-law authorizing the same be now read a third time and passed.

3. That the sum to be charged Mr. Davis, as rent for Fair Ground stables, be \$10 per month.

On motion the report was adopted.

Moved by Ald. McDonald, seconded by Ald. Davis, that this Council authorize the Chairman of No. 2 Committee to procure at once two large flags, one for use in Victoria Park and one for the City Hall, those in our possession being in a dilapidated and shabby condition. Referred to No. 2 Committee.

Ald. Taylor moved, seconded by Ald. Hook, that all work now going on in the

part of the city be suspended until the No. 2 got its appropriation. Carried.

NO. 1 COMMITTEE REPORT.

Ald. Bowman presented his report as follows:—

Your Committee having examined the following accounts, and finding them correct, recommend the same for payment:—

NO. 1 COMMITTEE ACCOUNTS.

Printing, Advertising, etc.—
Wm. Weld \$ 58 85
Mrs. Kords 44 00
\$ 102 85

Insurance—
Liverpool & London &
Globe 4 00
Section Expense—
John Teale 2 00
\$ 108 85

NO. 2 COMMITTEE ACCOUNTS.

rents, etc.—
Pay sheet \$ 525 71
" 487 25
" 44 80
John Donohue 609 62
" 20 66
Ed. Shea 38 76
John Robbins 25 00
W. H. and C. R. Smith 16 65
\$ 1,667 48

Street Pavement—
H. M. Douglass \$ 270 00
" 200 00
" 764 62
H. Craig 153 30
\$ 1,387 92

Shoes—
Harding & Leathorn 104 75
Shoe House Clock—
H. Davis & Son 25 00
City Hall—
McBride & Phillips 2 00
City Hall—
Alex. Windrim 4 25
\$ 3,191 40

NO. 3 COMMITTEE ACCOUNTS.

Capital—
Pay sheet \$ 211 50
Somerville, C. & Co. 222 91
McGee & Co. 187 53
Harkness & Co. 117 25
O. Carroll 93 49
John Ranahan 45 8
Wm. Johns 43 52
J. J. Smith 31 09
J. A. Taylor 22 59
London Soap Co. 12 00
A. D. Cameron 3 34
\$ 994 30

Post Department—
Hunt Bros \$ 16 47
Hudson & Dudley 11 75
American Express Co 9 18
\$ 37 37

Street Lighting—
City Gas Co. \$ 1,956 18
Wm. Ironside 170 33
" 7 25
McBride & Phillips 11 69
\$ 2,145 40

Street Watering—
Donohue, Webb & Co. \$ 60 00
J. Hartley & Son 55 00
Brooks Bros 30 00
\$ 145 00

Relief Accounts—
M. Baldwin \$ 73 26
R. R. Passes 18 10
Women's C. Association 20 16
Somerville, C. & Co. 395 0
\$ 151 02

2. That the sum of \$47 75, paid by the Y. M. C. A. as taxes on property immediately south of Victoria Hall, be refunded.

3. That the petitions of Catherine McNeill and Johanna Kelly, for remission of 1886 taxes, be granted.

4. That the petition of Agnes Portwood, for remission of taxes, be granted by allowing a rebate of \$13 65.

5. On account of the state of the city finances your Committee recommend no action in the petition of D. G. Sutherland and others re museum.

6. That Assessors Grant and Brown be requested to value the Central School Grounds, and report to the Council at next meeting.

7. Your Committee beg to submit pay sheet for Deputy-Returning Officers, &c., at last election, for instructions.

8. That Messrs. Street & Beecher be refunded \$12 78 taxes for 1886, paid in error.

9. Your Committee beg to recommend that a committee be appointed from the Council to meet a committee appointed by the Board of Trade or any other committees in relation to the celebration of the Queen's Jubilee.

10. That the petition of M. A. Church be referred to the Court of Revision.

11. Your Committee beg to report progress on the petition of Angus Morrison and Hiram C. Mooney.

12. Your Committee having investigated the charges of irregularities against the Police Court Clerk, find that the charges have been sustained, and would recommend the Council to discontinue the services of Richard Wignore as Police Court Clerk.

The report was taken up clause by clause and passed up to clause 7.

On clause 7, the Chairman read the charges of the Poll Clerks and Deputy Returning Officers, which he held were excessive. It ran as high as \$10.

Ald. Moore thought there was a regular fee fixed, and moved that the clause be referred back to the Committee to examine and report. Carried.

The 8th clause passed.

On the 9th clause, Mr. B. Cronyn, on behalf of the Board of Trade, expressed the willingness of that body to co-operate with the Council to get up a good demonstration.

The Mayor said Col. Jackson had waited on him in regard to the Council making an effort to have the annual military camp on the Carling Farm this year. Guelph was